WHEREAS, in our modern world there is a constantly increasing need for international understanding in the promotion of peace and harmony among the peoples of the world; and,

WHEREAS, The study of foreign languages contributes, and often paves the way to international understanding, enabling people of different lands and cultures to communicate; sharing ideas, aspirations, and common goals; and,

WHEREAS, SDFLA, The South Dakota Foreign Language Association; AATSP, The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese; AATG, The American Association of Teachers of German; and AATF, The American Association of Teachers of French; continually stress the importance, the necessity, and the benefits of foreign language study, the awareness and the appreciation of different cultures that it stimulates, and the contribution to world peace that it makes:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week ending on Easter Sunday--March 19-25, 1978--as

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in South Dakota, and ask that all institutions of primary, secondary, and higher education encourage activities that will bring foreign language study to the attention of the student body, to the educational community, and to the public at large.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy, Elekt

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

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LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

PHYLLIS WULF, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE